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- 1. GVN CHARGE NHAN HAS BEEN RECALLED TO SAIGON FOR CONSULTATIONS. HIS WIFE IS STILL WAITING IN EUROPE FOR HIS EVENTUAL POSTING TO ANKARA.
- 2. TRUONG HUU LUONG, NEXT RANKING GVN DIPLOMAT AND NOW MOMENTARILY CHARGE, TOLD EMBOFF HE HAD RECEIVED AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE ACCOUNT OF 26 JULY OF NEW GVN STATEMENT, PRESUMABLY THAT OF 21 JULY MENTIONED IN SECOND REFTEL, AND THAT IT WAS A DISAPPOINTINGLY STRONG ONE. HE ADDED THAT PRESIDENT THIEU IN MEETING OF GVN CADRES AT VUNG TAU HAD ALSO DELIVERED STRONG SPEECH AGAINST ANY GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZING PRG, FORESHADOWING CONFIDENTIAL

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IF ANYTHING HARDER FUTURE GVN LINE. HE ALSO ADDED

INTERESTING NEWS THAT AGREEMENT HAD ALREADY BEEN GRANTED FOR AMBASSADOR TRAN BY GAMBIA AND LIBERIA, AS WELL AS SENEGAL.

- 3. SINCE GOS-GVN CONFRONTATION BEING ORCHESTRATED PERSONALLY BY PRESIDENT SENGHOR, WHO IS OUT OF TOWN FOR SEVERAL DAYS, GOS REACTION TO LATEST GVN STATEMENT WILL PROBABLY BE DELAYED UNTIL AROUND NORMAL JULY 31 CABINET MEETING, BUT IT MAY BE PRESUMED POLEMICS WILL CONTINUE. MEANWHILE, IN APPARENT ABSENCE OF HIS GUIDANCE, NO MENTION OF NEW GVN STATEMENT HAS YET APPEARED IN LOCAL PRESS.
- 4. WE CONTINUE TO HOPE THAT OUTRIGHT BREAK CAN BE AVOIDED AND THAT AFFAIR MAY BE ALLOWED TO GRADUALLY SIMMER DOWN, WITH WHOMEVER ENDS UP AS BEING THE GVN DIPLOMATIC REPRESANTATIVE HERE. CLARK

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